Delaware State Police Investigate Fatal Pedestrian Crash – Wilmington

Wilmington– Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal pedestrian crash that occurred Thursday evening on southbound Route 141 in the area of Interstate 95.

On Thursday, December 16, 2021, at approximately 5:39 p.m., a 2017 Ford F-450 operated by a 52-year-old male of Smyrna, DE, was traveling in the right lane of southbound Route 141, just south of Exit 3B to I-95 southbound. At this time, a 40-year-old female of Newark, DE, was walking along the southbound shoulder of Route 141 in the area of Exit #3B. The pedestrian entered the roadway to pick an object up, directly into the Ford's path of travel. The Ford struck the pedestrian in the right lane of travel which threw her in a southernly direction, towards the shoulder of the roadway.

The 40-year-old pedestrian who was not wearing any reflective material and not carrying a light, was pronounced deceased at the scene. Impairment on her part is pending a toxicology analysis by the Division of Forensic Science. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

The 52-year-old operator of the Ford was properly restrained and did not sustain any injuries.

The roadway was closed for approximately 3 hours while the investigation was completed and the roadway was cleared.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800

VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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